Assessment Director's Meeting

The Leonardo Museum Auditorium

Thursday, September 19, 2013 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



9:05 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	SAGE Technical Specifications SAGE Formative Julie Quinn
9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Spell Check / Lower Elementary Grades Julie Benson
9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	SAGE Writing Daron Kennett & John Jesse
10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	DIBELS SAGE Item Development / Blueprints Reference Sheets / Calculators Kurt Farnsworth
10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Accommodations Policy Paul Ashby
10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	ACT / Explore / Plan Shmoop University – Test Preparation Program Nolan Fawcett & Shmoop University, Inc.
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Grading Schools / UCAS WIDA

EDUCATOR EFFECTIVENESS PROJECT: UPDATE

SEPTEMBER 2013

2012-13

- Progress 2012-13
 - PD on Teaching and Leadership Standards
 - Pilot Observation Tools for validity in 16 Districts
 - All Districts submitted Evaluation Plans May 2013
 - UEPC piloted sample survey items in pilot districts
 - Developed EYE Mentor Competencies and Mentor PD
 - Developed SLOs for non-tested content areas (CTE, Fine Arts, Social Studies, and Special Education -- i.e., Related Service Providers and Students with Cognitive Disabilities)
 - Counselor Workgroup to develop SLOs
 - Meeting with Deans in Colleges of Education to align Teacher and Leadership Preparation Programs

TIMELINE FOR EVALUATION IMPLEMENTATION

- Superintendents' Association letter requesting extension on implementation of evaluation system
- Pending changes in Board Rule R277-531 and Utah
 Code 53A-8a
- Full implementation 2015-16 (one year later)



PLAN FOR 2013-14



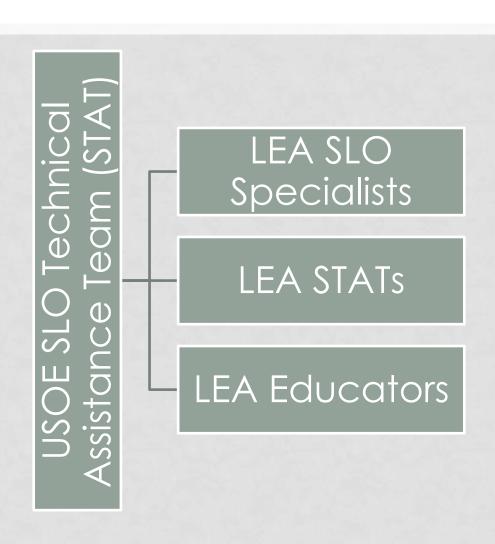
- Continue PD on Standards to improve effectiveness
- Year 2 of Observation Tools Pilot (12 districts)
- Involve Observation User Groups (37 districts) in PD for reliability
- Conduct pilots of Survey Instruments
- Develop a protocol for determining effectiveness ratings from Stakeholder Input data



PLAN 2013-14 CONTINUED

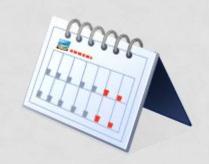
- Continue SLO development in content areas (Early Childhood, Health, PE, and Science)
- Begin LEA PD for LEA SLO Specialists
- Set up USOE and LEA STATS (SLO Technical Assistant Teams)
- Begin evaluation tools and SLOs for other education professionals (e.g., library media, mentors)
- Release EYE Mentor Competencies with PD

PD PROCESS



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Mark your calendars
- Determine LEA SLO Specialists



- Begin to form LEA STATS (SLO Technical Assistant Teams)
- Review sample content area Statewide SLOs

QUESTIONS



SAGE Technical Specifications

Julie Quinn



SAGE Summative Technical Specifications

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Implementation Timeline



September 3, 2013

- Help Desk Open
- Release of
 - Secure Browsers
 - Technical Specifications
 - System Requirements Summary
 - End-of-Support Plan
- September 26, 2013 Review with TCC







October, 2013

 LEA review of student data within SAGE TIDE (student data management) system

December, 2013

- Training tests release in conjunction with policy and procedure training sessions
 - Purpose: Familiarize educators and students with testing system, vet local technical configurations. Public can access training tests.



Implementation Timeline

January, 2014 – additional policy and procedure training sessions

February 4, 2014 – SAGE Summative operational field test is live





Technical Specifications

http://ut.portal.airast.org/resources/?section=8

System Requirements
Technical Specifications
End-of-Support Plan





Hardware Requirements Desktops and Laptops				
Operating Systems	Minimum Requirements for Current Computers			
Windows XP (Service Pack 3 [SP3]), Vista, 7, 8.0	Pentium 233 MHz processor 128 MB RAM			

Additional Hardware Requirements

52 MB hard drive

Headphones are Required

Mac OS X Intel x86 or PowerPC G3, G4, or 10.5, 10.6, 10.7, 10.8 G5 processor **128 MB RAM** 200 MB hard drive Linux Pentium II or AMD K6-III 233

Fedora Core 6+ (K12LTSP MHz processor 4.2+) 64 MB RAM **Ubuntu 9–12** 52 MB hard drive

Hardware Requirements Tablets and Chromebooks



Supported Android Tablets	Supported iOS Tablets	Supported Windows Tablets
Google Nexus 10 Motorola Xoom Motorola Xyboard Samsung Note 10.1 Samsung Tab 2 (10.1)	iPad 2 iPad 3 iPad 4 (Retina Display)	Microsoft Surface (At this time, a secure browser is not available for this tablet. Use this device for non-secure testing or for SAGE Formative.)
External Keyboards are Required	External Keyboards are Required	
Headphones are Required	Headphones are Required Update: Text-to-Speech will be available for iPads	

SAGE Formative

Julie Quinn



Spell Check - Lower Elementary Grades

Julie Benson



To spell check or not to spell check, that is the question Grades 3-5

Background

 The decision has been made to include spell check on the SAGE Writing assessment for grades 6-11

 Allowing spell check on the SAGE Writing assessment for grades 3-5 is the question?

Spelling Standards

- L.3.2e Use conventional spelling for highfrequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words.
- L.3.2f Use spelling patterns and generalizations in writing words.
- L.3.2g Consult reference materials, including beginning dictionaries, as needed to check and correct spelling.



Spelling Standards

- L.4.2d Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed.
- L.5.2e Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed.
- L.6.2b Spell correctly



Discussion Points

Points For

- Students write using resources, having spell check keeps the writing task authentic.
- Teachers will teach students to use technology.
- Students can focus on content of the writing, spend less time on the spelling.
- Spelling will be assessed in the Language portion of the test, so it does not have to be tested here.
- Students may use words that aren't grade appropriate and would lose points for spelling words incorrectly that they shouldn't have to know how to spell at their grade level.

Points Against

- Students in the younger grades should be required to spell grade level appropriate words correctly without assistance.
- The red lines could be distracting for students, and take away from the ability to focus on content.
- Conventions are part of the scoring rubric and spelling is part of conventions.



SAGE Writing

Daron Kennett & John Jesse



Utah Write PD

6 Locations	Date
Richfield	September 24
Washington	September 25
Cache	October 1
Provo	October 2
San Juan	October 9
Murray	October 15

Half Days

- Morning—Elementary
- Afternoon—Secondary



Utah Write PD

Participants (per meeting)

• Districts: 3

• Charters: 2

Agenda

- MI
 - Basics, updates, content-specific resources
- USOE
 - Writing process, Utah Core, DWA, SAGE



SAGE

Machine-Scored Writing

Human read-behind

Two Prompts

- Grades 3-5
 - Informational (shorter)
 - Opinion (longer)
- Grades 6-11
 - Informational (shorter)
 - Argument (longer)





Composition #1: Informative/Explanatory

Writing Standard 2:

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

- Stimuli (passages, images, audio)
- Shorter





Composition #2: Argument

Writing Standard 1:

Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

- Stimuli (passages, images, audio)
- Longer





ELA and Literacy Testing

Grades 3-5

<u>Total Estimated Time</u> (*Test is Untimed*)

Approximately 2 ½ hours

Writing, Reading, Speaking and Listening, and Language

Writing (Estimated- test is untimed)

- 60 minutes
- One or multiple sittings

Reading, Speaking and Listening, and Language (Estimated – test is untimed)

- 90 minutes
- One or multiple sittings





ELA and Literacy Testing

Grades 6-11

<u>Total Estimated Time</u> (*Test is Untimed*)

Approximately 3 hours

Writing, Reading, Speaking and Listening, and Language

Writing (Estimated- test is untimed)

- 90 minutes
- One or multiple sittings

Reading, Speaking and Listening, and Language (Estimated – test is untimed)

- 90 minutes
- One or multiple sittings





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DIBELS

Kurt Farnsworth



DIBELS update

- Beginning of Year (BOY) DIBELS needs to be completed by September 30
- Data needs to be entered into SIS system by October 31
- Notification to ALL parents after each benchmark



SAGE Item Development / Blueprints

Kurt Farnsworth





Item Development Update

Subject/Review	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>
Math 3-6	October 2-3	Capitol Building
Math 7-8	October 15, 2013	Capitol Building
SM2	October 16-17	Capitol Building
SM1	October 18, 2013	Capitol Building
ELA Reading	October 21-25	Crystal Inn, Murray
SM3	October 22-24	Capitol Building
Science Online Revs	October 21-24	ONLINE
ELA Language	October 28-Nov 1	Capitol Building
ELA Listening	October 28-Nov 1	Capitol Building
ELA Writing	October 28-Nov 1	Capitol Building
Parent Review	November 4-8	USOE

SAGE Information

SAGE Portal: http://ut.portal.airast.org/resources/?section=2

Demo Items: http://Demo.TDS.airast.org/AIRAssessment

Blueprints

- All content blueprints will be available online http://ut.portal.airast.org/ by end of day Friday.
- Due to the adaptive nature of the assessment each category has a range of percentages.
- The percentages shown represent target aggregate values; individual student experiences will vary based on the adaptive algorithm.
- Each student will see the minimum number of items for each category.
- DOK Percentages are also part of the blueprint as related to the Core State Standards

Utah SAGE Science Blueprints

Grade 4 Science		
# of Items	Min	Max
(48 scored Items)		mu.
Standard 4.1	17%	21%
Standard 4.II	17%	21%
Standard 4.III	17%	21%
Standard 4.IV	17%	21%
Standard 4.V	23%	27%
IL01	29%	33%
ILO3	38%	42%
ILO4	27%	31%
ILO 5/6	N/A	N/A
DOK 1	8%	33%
DOK 2	8%	52%
DOK 3/4	25%	52%

Grade 5 Science		
# of Items (45 scored Items)	Min	Max
Standard 5.1	18%	22%
Standard 5.II	18%	22%
Standard 5.III	18%	22%
Standard 5.IV	18%	22%
Standard 5.V	18%	22%
IL01	24%	29%
ILO3	22%	27%
ILO4	22%	27%
ILO5/6	22%	27%
DOK 1	9%	33%
DOK 2	9%	56%
DOK 3/4	25%	56%

Grade 6 Science		
# of Items (54 scored Items)	Min	Max
Standard 6.1	15%	19%
Standard 6.11	15%	19%
Standard 6.III	15%	19%
Standard 6.IV	15%	19%
Standard 6.V	15%	19%
Standard 6.VI	15%	19%
IL01	26%	30%
ILO3	24%	28%
ILO4	22%	26%
ILO5/6	20%	24%
DOK 1	7%	33%
DOK 2	7%	45%
DOK 3/4	25%	45%

Grade 7 Science		
# of Items (45 scored Items)	Min	Max
Standard 7.1	18%	22%
Standard 7.11	18%	22%
Standard 7.III	18%	22%
Standard 7.IV	18%	22%
Standard 7.V	18%	22%
IL01	22%	27%
IL03	24%	29%
ILO4	20%	24%
ILO5/6	24%	29%
DOK 1	9%	33%
DOK 2	9%	56%
DOK 3/4	25%	56%

Grade 8 Science		
# of Items (45 scored Items)	Min	Max
Standard 8.1	24%	29%
Standard 8.II	18%	22%
Standard 8.III	24%	29%
Standard 8.IV	24%	29%
IL01	27%	31%
ILO3	22%	27%
ILO4	22%	27%
ILO5/6	20%	24%
DOK 1	9%	33%
DOK 2	9%	56%
DOK 3/4	25%	56%

Earth Science		
# of Items	Min	Max
(45 scored items)		
Standard ES.I	18%	22%
Standard ES.II	18%	22%
Standard ES.III	18%	22%
Standard ES.IV	18%	22%
Standard ES.V	18%	22%
ILO1	22%	27%
ILO3	22%	27%
ILO4	24%	29%
ILO5/ILO6	24%	29%
DOK 1	9%	33%
DOK 2	9%	56%
DOK 3/4	25%	56%

Biology		
# of Items (45 scored Items)	Min	Max
Standard Bl.I	18%	22%
Standard BI.II	18%	22%
Standard Bi.III	18%	22%
Standard BI.IV	18%	22%
Standard BI.V	18%	22%
IL01	22%	27%
ILO3	22%	27%
ILO4	22%	27%
ILO5/ILO6	24%	29%
DOK 1	9%	33%
DOK 2	9%	56%
DOK 3/4	25%	56%

Chemistry			
# of Items	Min	Max	
(54 scored Items)		max	
Standard CH.I	15%	19%	
Standard CH.II	15%	19%	
Standard CH.III	15%	19%	
Standard CH.IV	15%	19%	
Standard CH.V	15%	19%	
Standard CH.VI	15%	19%	
IL01	22%	26%	
IL03	24%	28%	
ILO4	22%	26%	
ILO5/ILO6	24%	28%	
DOK 1	7%	33%	
DOK 2	7%	46%	
DOK 3/4	25%	46%	

Physics		
# of Items	Min	Max
(48 scored Items)		******
Standard PH.I	23%	27%
Standard PH.II	17%	21%
Standard PH.III	17%	21%
Standard PH.IV	17%	21%
Standard PH.V	17%	21%
IL01	21%	25%
IL03	25%	29%
ILO4	21%	25%
ILO5/ILO6	25%	29%
DOK 1	8%	33%
DOK 2	8%	52%
DOK 3/4	25%	52%

Note: The percentages shown represent target aggregate values; Individual student experiences will vary based on the adaptive algorithm.

DOK Blueprint Disclosure: Depth of Knowledge (DOK) is an essential component of the Science Instruction. As such, DOK is integrated in all science items throughout the Student Assessment of Growth and Excellence (SAGE) and their respective blueprints. All students will see a variety of DOK and item difficulty on the summative SAGE. For more information about DOK please see: http://static.pdesas.org/content/documents/M1-Silde_22_DOK_Hess_Cognitive_Rigor.pdf

Grade 8 Science			
# of items (45 scored items)	Min	Max	
Standard 8.I	24%	29%	
Standard 8.II	18%	22%	
Standard 8.III	24%	29%	
Standard 8.IV	24%	29%	
ILO1	27%	31%	
ILO3	22%	27%	
ILO4	22%	27%	
ILO5/6	20%	24%	
DOK 1	9%	33%	
DOK 2	9%	56%	
DOK 3/4	25%	56%	

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- For more information about DOK please see:
- http://static.pdesas.org/content/documents/M1-Slide 22 DOK Hess Cognitive Rigor.pdf

Reference Sheets / Calculators

Kurt Farnsworth



Elementary Math SAGE Updates: Reference Sheets

- Reference sheets will no longer be available or necessary for the grades 3-6 Elementary Math SAGE.
- Any standard, that is appropriate for students to have a formula to solve an item, will have the formula embedded in the item.
- (Standards that state: "Apply the formula")

Elementary Math SAGE Updates: Calculator

- Grades 3-5: Calculator NOT allowed.
 - Not available on screen
 - Cannot bring in their own
 - Based on the Utah State Standards and students in these grades needing to build basic computation skills and knowledge
- Grade 6: Calculator allowed on certain items.
 - Available ONLY onscreen
 - Cannot bring in their own
 - Available on items related to specific standards. Those standards are still being determined by USOE Assessment and Teaching and Learning specialists.

Accommodations Policy (draft)

Paul Ashby



ACT / Explore / Plan

Nolan Fawcett



ACT UPDATE

- September 3-6
 - High School Principal receives test center establishment packets.
- September 9- October 4
 - Window for schools to provide online establishment information for testing.
- October 4
 - Deadline for TS, BU, and TAC to complete their online.
 - establishment profiles.



- Assessment Directors will be cc'd on key communications that go out to the schools re: training opportunities, test materials shipments and other e-blasts to schools pertaining to the Statewide administration in the Spring.
- You do not need to reply. It is for your information and updates



On Line Test Preparation Program

- AD's will be assigned LEA administrative rights when they sign in as a teacher.
 - You will need to contact
 Nolan.Fawcett@schools.utah.gov for additional LEA administrative rights.
- Training for the program will come through Shmoop to district and school counselors.



Shmoop University, Inc.



Grading Schools / UCAS



WIDA





- Utah is now an official member of the WIDA consortium
- One of 33 other states in the consortium
- The WIDA ACCESS for ELLs replaces the UALPA
- NO MORE UALPA
- AMOs calculations are currently being discussed for federal accountability



- With membership Utah receives:
- W-APT (Screening Assessment)
- ACCESS for ELLs (Summative Assessment)
- Training
- Member pricing on WIDA materials
 - (Extra 10% off in September)
- http://www.wida.us/membership/benefits.aspx



Tentative - WIDA Key Dates

Materials ordering window:

Nov. 18 – Dec. 20, 2013

Districts Receive Materials:

Jan. 10, 2014

ACCESS for ELLs testing window:

Jan. 20 – Mar. 14, 2014

Districts receive paper reports:

May 24, 2014





<u>Logins</u>

3 Separate Logins:

- W-APT
 - Assessment Director and/or ALS director should have received this on Sept. 12
- ACCESS for ELLs
 - Will receive in October
- Metritech
 - Used for test ordering
 - Will receive in November





Webinars and Live Trainings

- September TBD
 - ½ Day W-APT Webinar training
- November/December TBD
 - 1 Day ACCESS Administration Training
 - (Also available anytime online)
 - 2 Day ACCESS for ELLs Trainer of Trainers Workshop
- November 21
 - Metritech Online ordering training
- Spring TBD
 - ½ Day Score Report Webinar Training
 - ½ Day W-APT Training





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ED Request on Assessment Transition Feedback



CRT Use for Class Grades

